



Statues to glorify God are not graven images, but a reminder of the sacred in our life. Like family photos that adorn our walls as reminders of the people important in our existence, statues that elevate our thoughts and aspirations to the holy and divine are important spiritual components toward the religious goals and dreams each of us should aspire to embrace.

On June 7, our parish received a weather-beaten image of Christ the King. He is endowed with a crown signifying His kingship, while holding a world globe that reflects His desire to infuse civilization with the message of salvation and truth for both sides of heaven. Purposely turned toward the troubled blocks in the City of Newburgh that surrounds our church grounds, the symbolism expressed clearly states that Christ will be victorious despite the apparent darkness and fatigue.

Within the difficult times we live in and our complex personal paths as Christians, we know instinctively from our interior depths that He should be paramount in our thoughts and decisions. However, we all get torn at times by petty concerns and even interpersonal conflicts that test severely our patience and goodwill toward all. As Saint Paul realistically and somberly reflects, our body (actions and thoughts) often does what the heart (soul and faith) tells it not to do. These are dilemmas of humanity that we will only truly escape when we are six feet underground, and held forever by the Almighty for all future times and ages. Positioning ourselves to make God and His teachings our mantelpiece, as it relates to these life challenges, requires prayer and His holy grace which is easier said than done. When another has purposely wronged us, we need Herculean strength to understand and forgive them. That power does not arise from within us, but through our prayerful and sacramental relationship with Him. The potential to get confused, lost, angry, and even questioning of God can become an intense issue for any of us as it did with Saint Paul.

Local author Jennifer Probst, in a book called " Searching For Always, " has a fictional female character express the confusions and dilemmas we all face conveyed in this interface with a fictional male character (though the ideas expressed are quite realistic and meaningful). I'm so happy you're finding the book helpful. There's so much junk in our day-to-day routine, we block ourselves from connecting with our true center. When the mind is quiet, and we are sitting in our body, it's like being in church. Or that childhood place you loved so much. It's everything holy and good. Another reason I call the body a temple. Unfortunately, TV, phones, and computers slam us with so much information, we're overloaded. This is a way to clean ourselves out. Make sense?

This fictional review of life questions actually poses realistic essays of thought, as we face the reality of existential pain and difficulty. God allows all of these hardships so that we become more attached to Him in the long run, and less attached to the temporary span of years experienced on planet earth. The book we call the Bible, the Word of God revealed in both Old and New Testament periods of history, offers us the help to process the junk of life so that we find our true spiritual centers. Our minds and bodies in church interconnect like a bridge to what is good and holy. We want ourselves to be a temple of the Spirit of God, destined for the salvation message expressed in the parish Christ the King statue (situated on the front lawn of 145 Benkard Avenue, midway between the convent and rectory).

We try to help each other to touch God, despite our inherent weaknesses and imperfections. On June 9, I gathered at the historic North Plank Road Inn with the eighth grade graduates and staff of the Nora Cronin Academy. The gathering, plus the graduation Mass the following night at Saint Francis of Assisi, embraced the collective efforts of all of us to promulgate the divine message of God for all times and all peoples. The ability to do this arises when Christ becomes the King of our focus. That ability comes from prayer, repentance, and His mercy. **Father Bill**

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon. July 11 St Benedict
 7:00am City of Newburgh
 Noon Ann & Anthony Farkas
 By Mary Ann & Tony Farkas

Tues. July 12
 7:00am Peter & Mildred
 Zalanowski
 By Linda & Paul Zalanowski
 Noon A Special Intention
 By A Parishioner

Wed. July 13
 7:00am The Unborn
 Noon Antoinette Smiehorowski
 By Patricia Porvaznik

Thur. July 14 St Kateri
 Tekakwitha
 7:00am The Homeless
 Noon Patrick Garziona
 By Ida Barcia

Fri. July 15 St Bonaventure
 7:00am Patricia Randall
 By Mary Randall
 Noon Vocations

Sat. July 16 Our Lady Mr Carmel
 Noon St Francis Parish
 4:30pm Samuel Cerone Sr.
 By Family
 Louis J. Talerico
 By John & Jeanette Mirabilio

Sun, July 17
 8:00am Raymond & Naomi
 Geisinger
 By Linda & Paul Zalanowski
 11:00am Barbara Palumbo
 By Mary Ann & Tony Farkas
 Maurice Cataldo
 By Tom & Ronnie Dubetsky

Weekly Collection

July 2-3, 2016
 1st Collection \$6,790.00
2nd Collection \$ 946.00
 TOTAL \$7,736.00

Our sincere thanks for your generosity and support of our Parish. God bless each and every one of you....always

The 2nd collection this weekend is for
MAINTENANCE & REPAIRS

MASS ATTENDANCE

July 2-3, 2016
 4:30 pm 165
 8:00 am 170
 11:00 am 183
 Total 518

The Chaplet of the Divine Mercy is recited on Sundays at 10:40 am before the 11 am Mass

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Our **Holy Hour** with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Wednesday from 5:00pm to 6:00pm will be for the special intention of the **Unborn**.

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Food Pantry Hours:
 Friday 9:00am to 12noon
 Saturday 9:00am to 12noon

FOOD FOR THE POOR

In your goodness please bring **CANNED FRUIT** to Church next weekend to be distributed to the less fortunate thru our Food Pantry.

ON **SEPTEMBER 11th** A Pancake Breakfast and Raffle sponsored by the Elks Club to help support the Deacon Jack Seymour Food Pantry.

RECTORY OFFICE NEW SUMMER HOURS
 Monday thru Thursday 9:00am-3:00 pm
 Friday 9:00 am-2:00 pm



REGISTER YOUR CHILD TODAY for the 2016-2017 school year. For registration forms or for more information please call Lynda Piper, our Religious Education Coordinator, at the Religious Education Office at 561-2589.



PRAYER

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Vincenza Secor, Aaron Stagliano, Kelly Stafford, Robyn McGraw, John Sabo, Andrew Costanzo, Marie Wiejak, Rose, Stephen Sabo, Ashley Barco, Jean Kaiser, Tom Scalzo, Nora Brickter, Gary Lake, Genevieve Pilch, Agnes Casey, Brianna Barker, Keith Webber, Jake Bryan DeStefano, Rose Marie Michalowski, Meryl Chatham, Vinceturia Cullen, Amy Meyer, Vinnie Yonnone, Grace Keller Peacock, Mary Corwin, Jean DeCicco, Don Hughes, David Jennings, Robert Johnson, Karen Wells, Marcia McKay, Victoria Palkovic, Elaine Pietrzak, Maureen Luzzi, Joyce Poponiak, Corrine Gammino, George Vecchio, Jr, Carol Brown, Teresa Centeno, Matthew Gallagher, Luzia Araujo, Celio Thomaz, Sherry Collins, Rosalie Nogay, Richard and Rina Bozzone, Antonio Troia, Cody Favoino-Finkbeiner, Marie Louis, Sacha Samuel George, the Koch Family, Frank Pietrzak, John Marullo, Rose Jurik, Robert & Helen Osborn, Manuel DiNapoli, Jennie Serrano, Eddie Koza, Barbara Woloszyn, Gary McGraw, Rachael Neugebauer, Patricia Denniston, Arlene Dietrichsen, Maureen Kelly, Deacon Larry Kawula, Abigail Ryan, Debra Thurston, Toby Persico, Alexis Johnson, Barry Johnson, James R. Purpura, Bob Smith, Tom Kingery, Bud Smith, Amy Finnegan, Jane Pustola, Justin, Peter, Rita, Janice Ruggiero, Angela, Wayne, Abbie K., Dominick Denisi, Sebastian Denisi, Pam Denisi, Linda Hummel, Joseph Michalowski, Joann Quicksell, Frances Dolan, Daniel D'Elicio, Fr. Fred Kempferi, Hazel Yonnone, Carmen Dacrosta, Parker, Jane Holloway, Dore Williams, Hank Kensing, Virginia Ranaudo, Sheryl McGrath, Robert Landi, Christine Mariani

***MARY, A Biblical Walk
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Every Tuesday evening from August 2nd thru September 20th at 7:00pm in O'Connor Hall, Deacon Frank Iovine will conduct a bible study course on Mary. In the film *Mary* you will ...Visit the grotto of Mary's home, the cave where Christ was born, and other rarely seen places in the Holy Land. ...See the significance of Mary as you explore the Biblical roots of our beliefs about her. ...Deepen your devotion to Mary as you discover our Blessed Mother in a uniquely personal way.

Registration cost is \$25.00 for workbook. To register call the rectory 561-1317.

ST. FRANCIS CALENDAR OF EVENTS!!

July 8 (Friday evening) **Night Under the Stars.** Outdoor Mass at 7 pm. Blessing of our new Prayer Garden, followed by an outdoor movie with toasted marshmallows, s'mores, & popcorn... Weather permitting.

July 17 **Coffee and Bagel Hour** after the 8:00am Mass



The Catholic Daughters will be hosting a Pot Luck Supper on Wednesday, July 13th at 6:00pm in Gallo Hall at Sacred Heart School in Newburgh. Service awards will be presented. Spouses and new members are welcome to attend. For further information please call Maureen Kelly at 562-9462.

YOU DID IT !!!

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CARDINALS STEWARDSHIP APPEAL

We have now reached our goal...any further contributions will go to help our parish.

THANK YOU to our most recent donor: **Mr & Mrs Andrew Gallivan.**

Thank You!

FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

The Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal is vital in sustaining all the good that we do for the church in New York.

PILGRIMAGES

Plans have been finalized for two pilgrimages hosted by Fr. Bill in 2017.

1) Spain Pilgrimage for 11 days, April 24th thru May 4, visiting Lisbon, Fatima, Salamanca. Avila, Madrid, Lourdes Montserrat and Barcelona.

2) Alpine Christmas Adventure for 11 days, December 4th thru 14th visiting Frankfurt, Freiburg, Lucerne, Innsbruck, Salzburg, Oberammergau, Neuschwanstein, Munich, Rothenberg and Heidelberg.

Brochures are located in the back of the church. To register or for additional information please call the rectory 561-1317.

THE BEATITUDES OF A CHRISTIAN HOME

- 1) ***Blessed is the home where prayer is said*** - because therein dwells the Lord.
- 2) ***Blessed is the home where Sundays and holy days are observed*** – for its inhabitants shall enjoy the festival of heaven
- 3) ***Blessed is the home from which they do not go out to sinful entertainments*** – for there will reign true Christian joy and pleasure.
- 4) ***Blessed is the home where blasphemy, intemperance, immoral magazines and books, lewd pictures and dirty language never enter*** - for there will rest the blessings of peace.
- 5) ***Blessed is the home where infants are born and soon baptized*** – for there are formed the children of God.
- 6) ***Blessed is the home where the doctrine of Christ is loved and learned; where the Church's laws of Sunday Mass, confession and Communion, fast and abstinence, are faithfully observed*** – for there will the light of living faith shine forth to all men.
- 7) ***Blessed is the home where the priest is called in time for the dying*** – for their illness will be alleviated and death will be blessed.
- 8) ***Blessed is the home where parents are consoled by the love of obedient children*** – for it will be the dwelling place of just men, the sanctuary of virtues and the tabernacle of salvation.

JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

Holy Family

Please hold our family
together with love,
understanding and respect
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LOVE TO COOK?

Please share your culinary delights.

We would love to hear from you.

If you would like to share a family recipe with our St. Francis Family please do so. We will put it on Flocknote and the more recipes we receive, the better chance we have of a new cookbook. Email your recipe to saintfrancisnewburgh@gmail.com or drop it off at the rectory.



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HEALING MASS

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Sunday July 24, 2016

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Mass 2:00pm

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